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## PSA Benguet conducts Quarterly Crops Production Survey (CrPS)

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Benguet Provincial Office will conduct the Quarterly Crops Production Survey (CrPS) this May 2022. The survey aims to generate basic production statistics for crops other than palay and corn at the national and sub-national levels. There are 20 major crops under the Other Crops sub-sector which are highlighted in the Value of Production in Philippine Agriculture and Fisheries. It also covers more than 280 crops sub-classified under three commodity groupings, namely: (1) Non-Food and Industrial Crops, (2) Fruit Crops, and (3) Vegetables and Root Crops.

The CrPS field operation covering the second quarter of 2022 will be undertaken from 16 May to 25 July 2022 and will be targeting five to 25 farmers-producers and five farms/plantations per crop in the province to collect data on volume of production, area planted/ harvested, and number of bearing trees/ hills/ vines.

The CrPS results form part of the estimation for the performance of agriculture and eventually, of the National Accounts for the generation of Gross Value Added (GVA), Gross National Product (GNP) and Gross Domestic Product (GDP). The data sets generated out of this activity serve as basis for researchers and policy formulation. Hence, reliable and accurate production data is very essential.

Under Section 26 of RA 10625, the information gathered from the respondent will be held strictly confidential and cannot be used for purpose of taxation, investigation or enforcement procedure, nor will be published except in the form of statistical summaries in which no reference to any individual person shall appear.

In line with this, the PSA Benguet Provincial Statistical Office asks for the cooperation of the barangay officials and the farmer-producers of crops to support and participate in the survey by providing the information needed. Statistical Researchers (SR) will visit the household to conduct personal interview.

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